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# STARK EARLY ELBERTA

"The World's Best Peach"



**E**VER alert, watching promising new sorts in all sections, there came under our observation about ten years ago a great, handsome, yellow peach that local authorities claimed should take the place of Elberta in the market orchards of the country.

This peach—the best of nearly 4,000,000 selected new seedling sorts sent out from our nurseries for testing—was first fruited in the orchard of Dr. Sumner Gleason, orchardist and experimenter of Kaysville, Utah. He propagated quite a number of the trees and several orchards of them were planted in his neighborhood. As

these trees came into bearing the different orchard owners declared it to be the peach for which growers had been looking for years—a peach with all the Elberta tree characteristics, much harder and of highest quality.

As the thousands upon thousands of acres of old Elberta came into bearing growers began to ask for a peach ripening ahead of Elberta that was as large and as handsome and as good a shipper, so it would not be necessary to market all their peaches at one time. We were looking for a peach to do this when Dr. Gleason wrote us concerning the peach that was creating such a sensation in his section.

After watching this variety in fruiting for a year or two, noting carefully the hardiness of the tree, the beauty and size of the fruit and its splendid shipping qualities, we began its distribution. Following the plan that had then proven Stark Delicious the undisputed king of all appledom, we sent out thousands of trees to experiment stations and to careful orchardists for trial; growing the variety moderately for several years until these trial orchards could come into bearing.

Since that date it has fruited in all peach regions and the reports from enthusiastic growers have been more glowing than we, even in our most optimistic moments, had dared to hope. From every section come reports that tell of its wonderful quality, its great size, its splendid beauty, its perfect shipping qualities; the ideal habits of the tree in the orchard, its vigor, its extreme hardiness, and what is of even more importance, the fact that it is ready to go on the market ten days to two weeks earlier than old Elberta—just when good peaches are wanted..

Stark Early Elberta is destined to revolutionize the peach industry of this country. We offer the variety knowing just what it will do, for it has been tested from New York to California and from Michigan to Georgia, and every claim made for it by the honored originator has been proven in this country-wide ten-year test.

Of giant size; a golden yellow, blending into a glorious red on the sunny side; a strong, protecting skin, covering a luscious flesh that is flavored with a juice as sweet as nectar. It allures with its beauty, gratifies with its quality, and gets the bank account in shape for the coming rainy day. The peach lovers of the nation have put upon it the stamp of their approval, and it is fast becoming the most-talked-of and best-liked of all peaches.

Recognizing the value of this marvelous peach, we are growing it by the hundreds of thousands and pushing them into orchards everywhere, for we realize that the advent of this twentieth century peach miracle means millions to the peach orchardists of America. NNCS.

**Most Profitable Peach.**—My Stark Early Elberta trees, two years from planting, bore a few beautiful peaches last year. They were of finest quality and very large. I believe Stark Early Elberta the most profitable peach.—Dr. O. J. Taylor, Wichita Co., Kan.

**Absolutely the Best.**—Have tested Stark Early Elberta and find it by all odds the best peach grown. Far superior to old Elberta. It is absolutely the best peach for these Northwestern states.—E. F. Perry, Yakima, Washington.

**No Fuzz Whatever.**—Stark Early Elberta is a regular bearer, good size, fine clear yellow with red blush; no fuzz whatever.—Robert Porter, Santa Clara, California.

I find Stark Early Elberta earlier than Elberta, a distinctive yellow color and a very profitable peach. Can be well recommended.—A. Onslow, Ontario, Canada.

**Brings Highest Prices.**—I have Alton, Elberta Queen and Elberta Cling, but Stark Early Elberta leads them by long odds; about two weeks earlier than Elberta Queen. We have a number of fine sorts, but Stark Early Elberta brought 50c per bushel more than any of them.—A. N. Nesbitt, Humphreys Co., Tenn.

**In Iowa.**—Stark Early Elberta are the most satisfactory peaches we have ever grown in our thirty years of home fruit gardening. They are very fine and have an excellent color and flavor.—J. W. Murphy, Editor Sat. Evening Post, Des Moines Co., Iowa.

**Bears Heavily.**—Stark Early Elberta are the best peaches I have. More fruit this year than any other variety. Very few peaches this year because of late frost, but Stark Early Elberta had a very good crop.—J. M. Hildreth, Pawnee Co., Okla.

**Bears Every Year.**—Stark Early Elberta is at least a week ahead of old Elberta in ripening. A heavy bearer of beautiful yellow fruit, a good shipper and is superior in quality to old Elberta, and you get a crop every year. I would advise anyone putting out a peach orchard to plant them liberally.—D. Dando, Chelan Co., Wash.

**Free From Fuzz.**—I have fruited Stark Early Elberta for six years and think it is ahead of Elberta in every way. It has a clean color because it is smooth and free from fuzz; much superior in quality; just as good a shipper, and ripens ahead of old Elberta.—N. S. Christofferson, Boxelder Co., Utah.

**Absolutely the Finest.**—Stark Early Elberta is absolutely the finest thing I have in my orchard, and the finest peach I have seen or heard of. Just simply delicious, and ripens ten days to two weeks ahead of old Elberta, and is much finer in texture. A number of my neighbors who received them complimentary from Stark Bros. have been telling me of this wonderfully fine peach, saying that they were the best in their orchards. Stark Early Elberta is the best peach in this valley.—Hon. T. H. Atkinson, Chelan Co., Wash.

**Finest Yellow Freestone.**—Stark Early Elberta was thoroughly tested out this year. One of my neighbors has several fine trees in full bearing, with common Elberta planted alongside. It is the very finest yellow freestone peach I have ever seen or tasted; superior to old Elberta in every way. Better in quality; finer grained, and the best peach of them all. It turns yellow all over before it softens, which makes it a good peach for shipping. Ripens about a week earlier than Elberta.—F. L. Phelps, Umatilla Co., Ore.

**Free From Disease.**—I like Stark Early Elberta in tree and fruit better than any other variety. The tree is free from disease. This season we picked about three bushels of first-class fruit from a single tree.—E. A. Thiele, Neosho Co., Kansas.

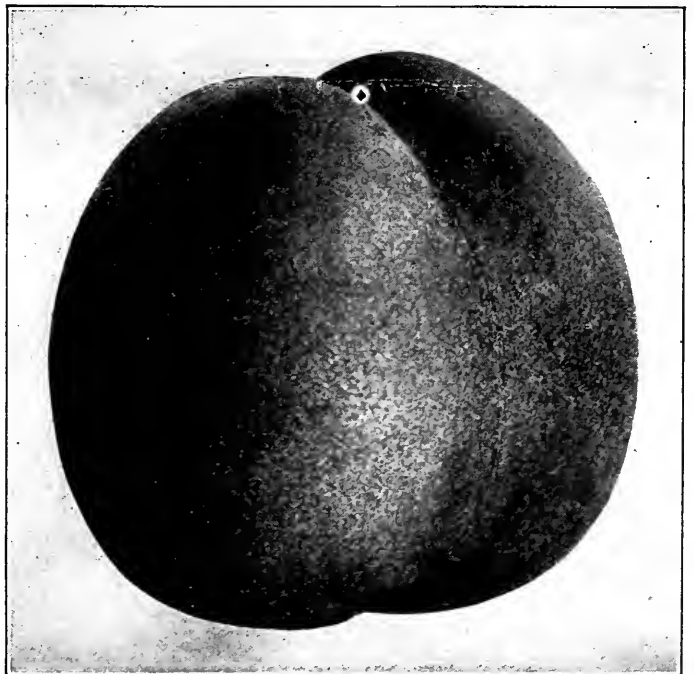
**Better Payer Than Elberta.**—Stark Early Elberta is fine; ripe and gone two weeks ahead of Elberta (Queen). On account of superiority in quality and early ripening, I sold them for \$1.50. I am selling old Elberta for \$1.00, and both in the same orchard. I regard Early Elberta as an extra money-maker, and fine for home use.—A. N. Nesbitt, Humphreys Co., Tenn.

**Harder Than Any Other.**—Early Elberta will prove valuable very far north, as it is harder than any other. Wish you could have seen the Early Elberta orchard at A. G. Butcher's; trees were loaded. No other peach approaches it in color and quality. Has fruited with me for eight years and is the best yellow peach grown.—Dr. Sumner Gleason, Davis Co., Utah.

**Large as a Pint Cup.**—This year is the first year my Stark Early Elberta has borne. I had the finest Early Elberta in the country. They were about as large around as a pint cup and very rich flavor. I think it far superior to old Elberta. Ripens about two weeks earlier; a good shipper.—W. W. Burchfield, Major Co., Oklahoma.

**Ripe When Markets Are Good.**—Had growers in this country Early Elberta instead of Elberta they would be thousands of dollars ahead. Early Elberta comes at a time when there are no yellow freestones on the market and what few there were brought fancy prices, while the Elbertas came in a bunch and many of them sold cheap.—T. H. Atkinson, Chelan Co., Wash.

**Finest in the Country.**—My Early Elberta bore full crop this year, the finest in the county, about six days earlier than Elberta, and much better flavor. An agent of a Texas nursery was here last year when they were ripe and he said it was the finest peach he ever saw.—P. B. Doby, Clark Co., Ark.



Stark Early Elberta—"The World's Best Peach."



# GENERAL PEACH LIST

The peach tree is not exacting in its soil requirements. Under unfavorable conditions they bear regularly, yet no other fruit responds more readily to good care and cultivation. Only a few really good peaches have been added to the list within the past twenty years. Red Bird Cling, Eureka, Alton, Illinois and Krummel October are among the best of the newer sorts. Stark Early Elberta, discovered about ten years ago, is the best find of the century. The most talked about, the best liked peach since the advent of old Elberta.

List herewith is the cream of all known kinds, selected and proven through many years of experience and observation, and are arranged according to the season of ripening:

**Mayflower.** A gorgeously beautiful "red-all-over" peach, originating with that veteran peach grower, J. Van Lindley, of North Carolina. Mayflower and Red Bird Cling, which ripens a few days later, are taking the places of poorer quality early sorts, such as Alexander, Sneed, etc. NCS.

**Red Bird Cling.** The perfect early peach; glorious color, good size, and splendid quality all combine to make this the early peach par excellence. Almost entirely overspread with a bright glowing red that commands instant attention of the passerby; the markets want them at big prices. Last year W. A. Jeffers, of Crawford Co., Ark., sold Red Bird Cling at \$5.00 per bushel. NNCS.

**When Others Are Killed.**—Fruited last year when nearly all other varieties were killed by the hard winter. They are grand lookers and sell well.—J. W. Bell & Son, Chautauqua Co., New York.

**Gorgeously Colored.**—Is the most valuable early peach. Sells on the Memphis markets as fast as I could ship. I wish you could have seen the blood-red peaches on the trees. Everybody said it was the prettiest sight they ever saw.—Dr. E. L. Morris, Fayette Co., Tenn.

**Highest Prices.**—My Red Bird brought \$2.00 per bushel this year. Believe I could have got \$3.00 per bushel had I demanded it.—I. A. Schlauf, Marion Co., Illinois.

**Greensboro.** A green and white red-cheeked peach that ripens very early. Red Bird Cling and Mayflower are superior. NNCS.

**June Elberta.** A good yellow freestone, resembling Elberta, but much earlier. NCS.

**Arp Beauty.** Pleasing yellow, blushed with crimson. Good quality. NCS.

**Eureka.** Here, at Louisiana, Mo., it has proven the hardest, after 15 years' test; without a doubt the most valuable of its season. Large, white, brilliantly blushed—as handsome as a peach can be—much resembles Alton. Good tree, good bearer, good shipper; no faults. NNCS.

**Early Mamie Ross.** The best of the well-known Mamie Ross type of peaches. Creamy white, with a splendid bright red cheek. Luscious, juicy, fine in quality. NNCS.

**Mamie Ross.** A creamy white peach blushed with delicate carmine. One of the hardiest and best of its season. NCS.

**Carman.** A large white peach that is popular. Alton is better in every way. NCS.

**Hiley (Early Belle).** An extra good early kind; large, white, highly colored on sun exposed side. NNCS.

**Crawford Early Improved.** Far better and hardier than old Crawford Early; very rich yellow with bright red blush. All peach sections, except far North. NCS.

**Alton.** Most dependable white peach, with a rosy cheek that makes it one of the most attractive; far better than Carman; firm, juicy, melting, with a rich, satisfying flavor; one of the hardiest. Comes on the market when good peaches are scarce, and for commercial and home use no white peach is so good. NNCS.

**Alton.**—Brings highest prices of any peaches I grow. They are exceedingly handsome and very fine flavor. Both Alton and Illinois are hardy here.—S. S. Haswell, Essex Co., Mass.

**Finest Early July Peach.**—Sold at 50 cents per dozen.—Dr. E. L. Morris, Fayette Co., Tenn.

**Best of All.**—Making a good record in Panhandle; best all-round peach.—E. T. Ramsey, Travis Co., Texas.

**Brings Best Prices.**—You cannot say too much for Alton for this locality, where we are almost sure to get a late frost, which kills Elberta and like varieties. We get more for Alton than for Elberta. Alton stands shipping well.—H. B. Peppmiller, Ripley Co., Mo.

**Champion.** Extreme hardness, best quality, large size and splendid beauty make it one of the most popular white-fleshed varieties. An old favorite. NNCS.

**Belle of Georgia.** Just an Elberta in red and white. Bears great crops when Elberta fails. Large, showy, good quality. A good peach. A money-maker. NNCS.

**Elberta Cling.** An Elberta in appearance, but a perfect clingstone. Handsome, good quality; ships well. NCS.

**Engle Mammoth.** An immense, yellow peach. One of the most attractive. In Michigan and other northern peach regions it is one of the hardiest and best. NNCS.

**Captain Ede.** A handsome yellow peach, of splendid size; nearly always faintly blushed with carmine. Hardier, better in every way than Elberta. NNCS.

**Elberta (Queen).** The standard yellow market peach. Good size, good shipper, only fair quality. Lengthen your Elberta season by planting Stark Early Elberta, Late Elberta, etc. NCS.

**Washington.** An old favorite high quality sort. A large, white peach, with a splendid blush. NNCS.

**Illinois (Trade-mark).** One of the handsomest white peaches and in quality even surpasses Champion. Originated with E. H. Riehl, the Illinois peach authority. NNCS.

**Idaho Mammoth.** A deep yellow peach, shaded red. Enormous in size, and delicious in quality. Major Manning, the originator and Idaho authority, recommends it with confidence. NCS.

**Crawford Late Improved.** Surer bearer, larger, finer quality and hardier than old Crawford Late. A standard sort. CS.

**Stark Summer Heath.** Three weeks earlier than Heath Cling. A beautiful, creamy peach of the Heath type. NCS.

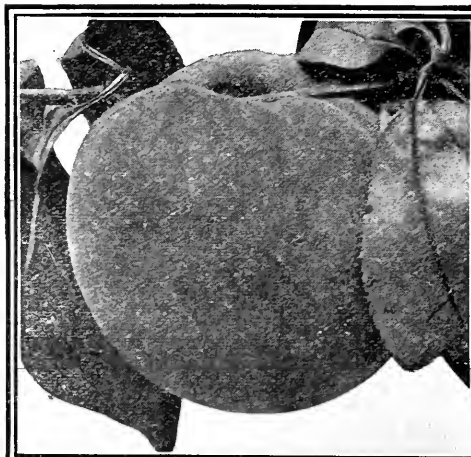
**Chairs Choice.** The best of the Crawford Late type of peaches. Deep yellow, large size, rich and fine. CS.

**Sea Eagle Improved.** High quality, great beauty and enormous size make this strain of Sea Eagle one of the most popular late white peaches. NNCS.

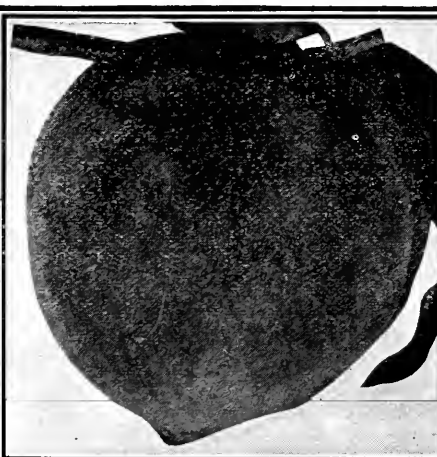
**President Lyon.** Uniformly large, overspread with red; we prefer it to Crawford Late. Very popular in Michigan, where it originated. NCS.

**Martha Fern Cling.** An extra handsome, white peach, with a faint pink blush; originated in Pike County, Mo., where it has an unflinching fruiting record. Very large, and of excellent quality. NCS.

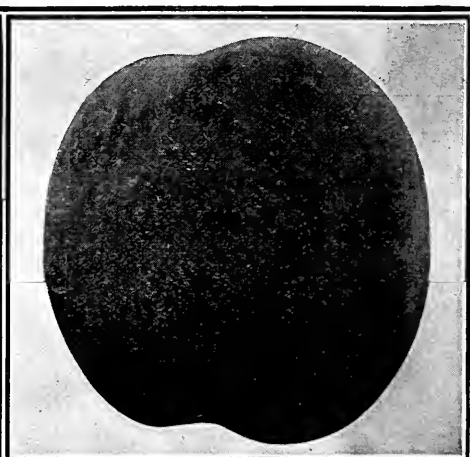
**Late Elberta.** A great, handsome, yellow peach of the Elberta type that ripens a month later. NCS.



Alton

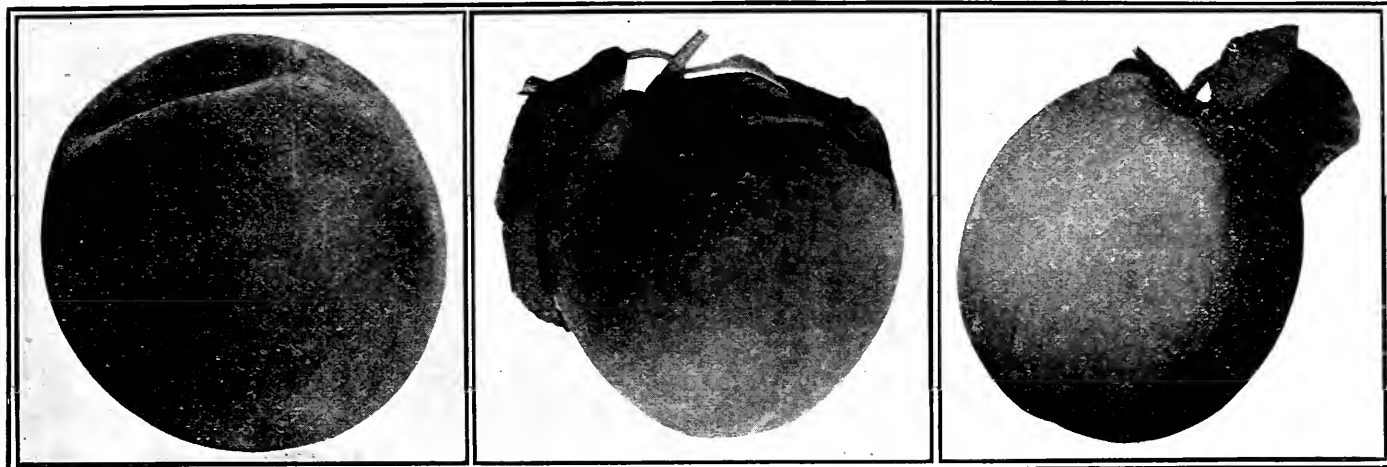


Hiley (Early Belle)



Red Bird Cling





Krummel October

Late Elberta

Eureka

**Golden Sweet Cling.** One of the most delicious, juiciest, sweetest clings we know. Comes to us from near Fort Smith, Ark., where it has excelled all clings of its season. NCS.

**Stark Heath Cling.** One of the finest of the Heath strain of peaches. Many years ago was a favorite in the pioneer orchards of Judge James Stark. NCS.

**Mammoth Heath Cling.** A select strain of the well-known, ever-popular Heath; large, creamy white, with faint blush. One of the juiciest and most luscious. NCS.

**Wallis Heath Free.** St. Louis markets have always paid an extra price for this immense peach. Originated on the grounds of Henry Wallis of St. Louis Co., Mo. NCS.

**Salway.** A well-known late yellow peach; Krummel October and Holsinger Salway better in every way. NCS.

**Holsinger Salway.** An improved strain of Salway from the orchard of Major Frank Holsinger, of Kansas. NCS.

**Krummel October.** This great peach takes the lead among all late sorts. Its enormous size, and splendid beauty insure highest prices. Almost round, golden yellow, with a sun blush of dark carmine. East, west, north, south, it is recognized as the best late yellow peach. NCS.

By far the best late peach.—Hall Bros., Maricopa Co., Arizona. Is easily champion of them all.—Joseph Gerardi, Jersey Co., Ill.

In addition to the sorts described above, we offer the following—all good sorts; they are arranged as they ripen:

Victor  
Connetts Southern Early  
Triumph  
Waddell  
Yellow St. John  
Ray  
Mountain Rose  
Old Mixon Free, Improved  
Fitzgerald  
Worth  
Hyslop Cling  
Crosby  
Yellow Rareripe  
Gold Dust Cling  
Stump  
Muir  
Frances

Wallis Best  
Edgemont Beauty  
Niagara (Mam. Crawford Late)  
Banner  
Lovell  
Crothers Late  
Yates Early Heath  
Marionville Cling  
Phillips Cling  
Smock Improved  
Fox Seedling  
Klondike  
October Elberta  
Bonanza  
Levi Late Cling  
Kalamazoo

### PLUM

Plums are productive and profitable over a wide range

of territory. Year in and year out, notwithstanding neglect, they produce generously. We offer the best sorts known and grow them in great quantities. Gold, Omaha, America and Early Gold (Shiro) should be in every home orchard and garden. Sorts described are grouped into classes:

### HYBRIDS

**Early Gold (Shiro).** Pure transparent yellow; quality exquisite—a huge honeydrop. One of Luther Burbank's best productions. NCS.

**America.** Large, glossy, coral red, almost proof against rot and insect attack; as beautiful as a plum can be; very hardy. Mr. Riehl, the noted Illinois authority, considers it the greatest of all hybrid plums. NNCS.

**Omaha.** The greatest plum production of the late Theo. Williams of Nebraska and one of the most beautiful plums in existence; firm, juicy, flavored highly, splendid in quality, very small seed; tree one of the hardiest and most dependable. NNCS.

**Gold (Trade-mark).** The aristocrat of the plum family. Light, transparent, golden yellow, wholly overspread with a beautiful blush that no painter has ever been able to match. This was the first great creation of the matchless Burbank and was his choice from among twenty million native, hybrid and cross-bred seedlings. Has fruited in practically every state in the Union. NNCS.

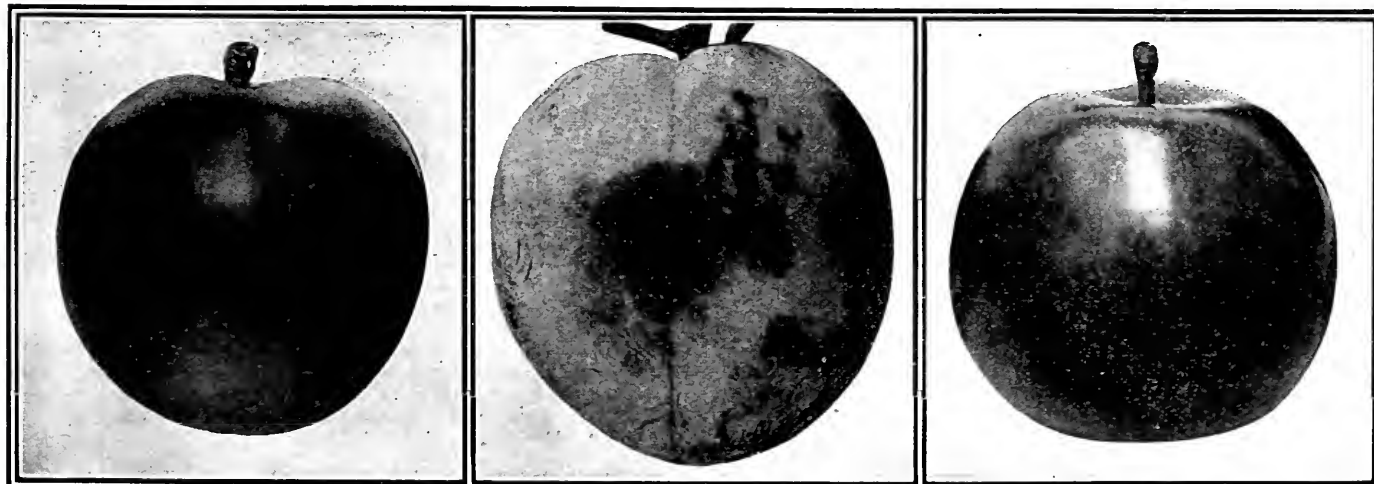
**Stella.** Another of Theo. Williams' extremely hardy plums. Beautiful, dark purple, of great size and highest quality. NNCS.

**Mammoth Gold (Endicott).** A production of that veteran horticulturist, Hon. Geo. W. Endicott, Pulaski County, Illinois. He says: "Larger than Abundance, best quality, ripening early—color yellow, almost covered by dark purple, very hardy in bud, excels any plum on my place." NCS.

### EUROPEAN

**Tatge.** Of Lombard type; hardier, larger, handsomer, finer quality. NC.

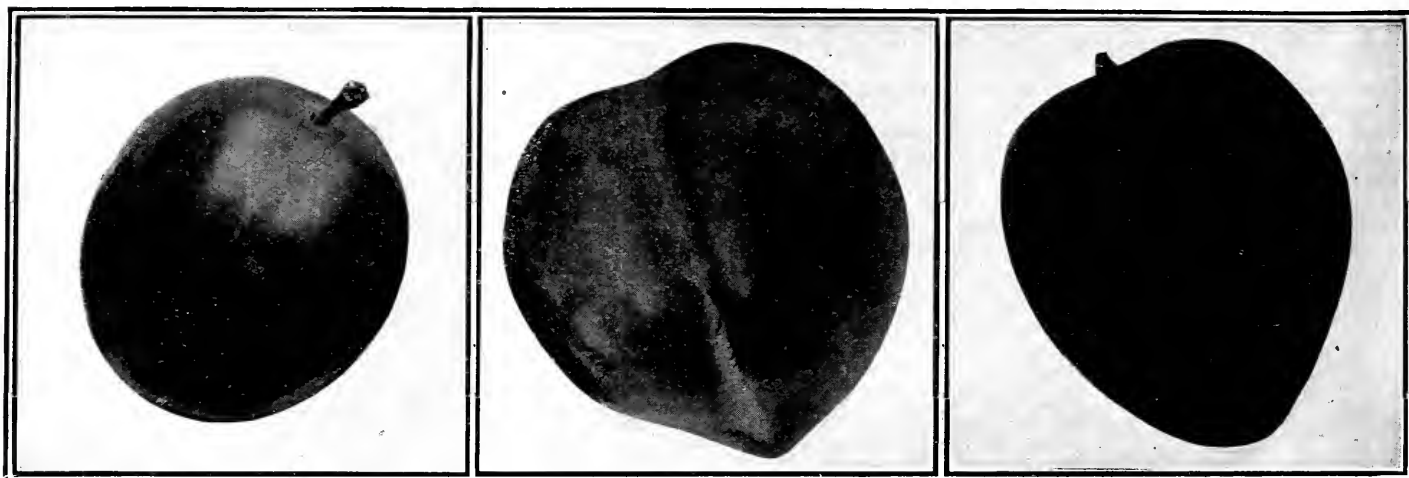
**Lombard.** Fruit very handsome, attractive violet red, large size; every garden should contain Lombard. NC.



Shiro (Early Gold)

Omaha

Gold



Lombard

Abundance

Red June

**Stark Green Gage** (*Missouri*). From seed of Imperial Gage. Originated in Stark Nurseries over 60 years ago; succeeds where many other European (Domestica) plums fail. NCS.

**German Prune** (*Large*). This and Italian (Fellenburg) the best of all prunes. Excellent for dessert and preserves. NCS.

**Italian Prune** (*Fellenburg*). The Western prune of commerce. NCS.

**York State Prune**. A select strain from New York State. NCS.

**Damson Free**. A select strain of the well known Blue Damson, always popular and always profitable. NNCS.

**Damson Shropshire**. The most popular Damson on the market: larger than Damson Free. NCS.

### JAPANESE

**Earliest of All**. Solid red, good quality; profitable because of extreme earliness. NNCS.

**Red June**. One of the most popular early plums. Named and introduced by us over twenty years ago. Dark, brilliant red, very showy and attractive; tree healthy, hardy and a sure bearer. NNCS.

**Abundance**. The most popular true Japan plum. Large, cherry red, firm, and sweet. NCS.

**Burbank**. Imported from Japan by Luther Burbank and named by Prof. Van Deman. Rich cherry red, mottled and dotted with yellow. NCS.

**Orient** (*Chabot*). Very large, resembling Burbank. NCS.

**Wickson**. Oblong, pointed, heart-shaped; glowing carmine with a heavy bloom. Of great size and wonderful beauty. NCS.

**Satsuma**. Large, purplish crimson, flesh dark red; excellent quality, popular far West. CS.

**Stark Purple Flesh**. Large, handsome, high quality—one of the very hardiest Japanese sorts. Succeeds far North. NNCS.

### NATIVE

**Wild Goose Improved**. A bright red plum that is sweet and juicy. This strain is superior to old Wild Goose. NCS.

**Poole Pride**. Color light crimson with a delicate bloom. Tree hardy and bears tremendous crops. NCS.

**Freestone Goose**. An improved Wild Goose from Theo. Williams of Nebraska. Very hardy tree. NNCS.

**Late Goose** (*Valuable*). Of great size, splendid beauty and fine quality; originated by Theo. Williams of Nebraska. Better than De Soto, Forest Garden, etc. NNCS.

In addition to sorts described above, we grow and offer the following: N stands for Native, J for Japanese, D for Domestica or European. See price list.

Bradshaw (D.)	Milton (N.)
Damson Majestic (D.)	Muncy (N.)
De Soto (N.)	October Purple (N.)
Duarte (H.)	Pond Seedling (D.)
French Prune (D.)	Reine Claude (D.)
Gonzales (H.)	Yellow Egg (D.)
Imperial Gage (D.)	York State Prune (D.)

### PEAR

We offer all leading varieties of pear for both commercial orchard and for home planting. Those varieties that succeed best as dwarfs are grown on both standard and dwarf stocks. (See list of dwarf sorts following pear descriptions.) Sorts described are arranged according to season of ripening.

**Stark Tyson** (*Summer Seckel*). Larger and better than old Tyson. A small though very fine Summer pear. Yellow, shaded with red; juicy, melting, good. NCS.

**Clapp Favorite**. A pale lemon yellow pear, blushed with bright red. Large, handsome, somewhat resembling Bartlett; sweet and good. NCS.

**Snyder**. A favorite for many years. Large in size, golden yellow, buttery, rich, smooth; sweet, satisfying flavor. Tree remarkably free from blight. NCS.

**Bartlett**. The standard of quality among pears. A favorite in the home orchard and the standard on all pear markets. Rich, golden yellow, often lightly blushed. Large, thin skinned, rich flavor. We are large growers of Bartlett and offer them by the thousands to the commercial pear orchardists of the country. NCS.

**Lincoln** (*True Lincoln of Illinois—not Lincoln Coreless*). A larger pear than Bartlett and as handsome as a pear can be. Tree remarkably free from blight. NNCS.

**Flemish Beauty**. A superb pear of excellent flavor. Tree healthy, vigorous and fruitful. NNCS.

**Howell**. A beautiful pear. Uniform in size, light yellow with a handsome red cheek. Tree attains great size. NCS.

**Rossney**. Golden yellow with a scarlet blush. Ripens when good pears are scarce. CS.

**Stark Seckel** (*Sugar Pear*). This is the best strain of Seckel; coming to us from the orchard of E. H. Riehl, Illinois' great pear authority. Every pear lover knows the Seckel's spicy, honeyed flavor. NNCS.

**Fame**. A juicy, rich pear with few seeds and almost no core; large, greenish yellow. NCS.

**Duchess** (*Angouleme*). Fruit of dull greenish yellow, streaked and spotted with russet; of great size and good quality. NNCS.

**Comice** (*Doyenne Du Comice*). A most valuable pear for the market orchard. East, West, everywhere—from Massachusetts to Oregon—it fruits to perfection. NCS.

**Riehl Best**. From the experimental orchard of E. H. Riehl of the Illinois Exp. Sta., who considers it the best all-round pear on the entire list. It is fine grained, juicy, free from grit and in quality ranks with Bartlett and Lincoln. NCS.

**Anjou**. A pear that is planted and marketed side by side with Bartlett and is always a favorite. Succeeds everywhere. Large, handsome, greenish yellow with a dull blush. A delicious late Fall pear and with proper care can be kept until the holidays. NNCS.

**Lawrence**. An early Winter pear that is a general favorite. NCS.

**Theodore Williams** (*Stella*). Named for the Nebraska pioneer who originated it. Grown by him from Kieffer seed, but far outclasses Kieffer in hardiness, productiveness and quality. Has stood forty degrees below zero without injury. NNCS.

**Kieffer**. Known everywhere; only fair in quality but pays tremendous profits. NCS.





**King Karl.** A very large pear, brownish yellow with a crimson blush, resembles Clairgeau but is of better quality. NCS.

**Triumph.** Resembles Duchess. A good winter pear that will keep until January. NCS.

**Winter Bartlett.** Just what the name implies; ripens two months later than the old Bartlett. Our stock is from the original tree. There are some worthless pears being grown under this name; look out for them. NCS.

**Winter Nelis.** A delicious, greenish yellow pear of medium size and fine quality, hardy, thrifty, but rather a straggling grower. NCS.

In addition to the varieties described we can furnish the following:

Alamo	Garber
Bartlett Hybrid	Jones Winter
Beurre Bosc	Koonce
Boussock	Manning Elizabeth
Clairgeau	Patrick Barry
Colorado Seedless	Vermont Beauty
Crocker Bartlett	Wallis Kieffer
Dorset	Wilder Early
Durand	Worden-Seckel

We grow and offer the following varieties on dwarf stocks. They require about one-fifth the space necessary for a standard tree. Anjou, Bartlett, Clapp Favorite, Comice, Duchess, Fame, Howell, King Karl, Seckel, Triumph, Winter Bartlett.

## CHERRY

**Dyehouse.** Earlier, larger, better quality, smaller pit, than Early Richmond. The best early sour cherry. NCS.

**Early Richmond (Early May).** Clear, bright red, quite acid. Dyehouse is superior. NNCS.

**May Duke.** A dependable early sour cherry. NCS.

**Black Tartarian Improved.** A black, rich, juicy cherry, heart-shaped fruit of delicious quality. Better than old Black Tartarian. NCS.

**Governor Wood.** A light yellow cherry; large heart-shaped, sweet and rich. An old favorite. NCS.

**Montmorency Large.** Larger than Montmorency King, but otherwise identical, except that it ripens later, thus prolonging the season. In buying large Montmorencys be sure you get the true strain; another "Large" Montmorency from New York has proven worthless. NNCS.

**Montmorency Monarch.** This strain comes to us from the Iowa Experiment Station, where it made a splendid record. Resembles Montmorency King; a great cherry and one that is popular in all sour cherry regions. NNCS.

**Montmorency King (Ordinaire).** Unsurpassed in quality and quantity of fruit, hardiness and beauty of tree and for never-failing crops. The best sour cherry. NNCS.

**Montmorency Stark.** From a select tree on our grounds, which always bore larger fruit than any of the other Montmorencys. NNCS.

**Montmorency Sweet.** A true Montmorency, but sweeter than any other strain. NNCS.

**Royal Duke.** Our strain is from a great Colorado Royal Duke Orchard. Large, light red, rich, juicy, tender. NCS.

**Bing.** A sweet, black cherry of enormous size. A favorite in Pacific Coast orchards and seems to succeed East better than most sweets. NCS.

**Lambert.** Of great size and unsurpassed quality. The tree is rugged and bears enormous crops. Plant orchards of Bing, Lambert and Royal Ann—the three great sweet cherries. NCS.

**Royal Ann.** A pale yellow, sweet cherry of large size with bright red cheek. The best known and most popular in sweet cherry regions in the West. NCS.

**Napoleon.** A large, yellow, sweet cherry with an attractive bright blush. An excellent shipper and famous as a variety for canning. NCS.

**English Morello.** Dark red, nearly black; tender, juicy, with much acid. Tree rather small, spreading, poor grower and short-lived. Wragg or Suda better. NC.

**Wragg.** Similar to English Morello in fruit, but larger. Tree dwarfish grower. NNC.

**Suda Hardy.** A greatly improved English Morello and as a late sort is valuable. Originated in Louisiana, Mo., where the old tree did not fail a full crop in twenty years. NNCS.

In addition to sorts described we can furnish the following:

German Ostheimer	Timme
Paul	Windsor
Schmidt's Bigarreau	Yellow Spanish
Terry Early	

## CRAB APPLES

**Whitney.** A small apple rather than a true crab; color a smooth glossy green, striped and splashed with carmine; flesh firm, juicy, and pleasantly flavored. Tree is very hardy, a vigorous grower and a bearer of large crops. NNCS.

**Stark Florence.** Worth all others put together—by far the most valuable of all crabs—the youngest and most prolific bearer; very hardy; a dwarfish grower, and may be planted closely. The fruit is striped and mottled crimson and yellow. Unsurpassed for jellies, preserves and cider. Originated in Minnesota by the late Peter M. Gideon, who wrote us in 1898: "In full fruit looks like a huge Flowering Almond and for any yard or garden is a beautiful ornament. No apple or crab can excel it in hardiness and none is more exempt from blight." NNCS.

Florence is the best crab apple on the market, bears younger than any other and bears when all others fail. It is of good size, of best quality, and the most beautiful fruit I know.—E. H. Riehl, Ill. Exp. Station.

**Martha.** Another origination of the late Peter M. Gideon; a beautiful fruit—bright yellow, shaded red. NNC.

**Transcendent.** A medium-sized, pleasantly flavored, extremely hardy, yellow crab, partly covered with red (no stripes). Its worst fault is its susceptibility to blight. NNC.

**Hyslop.** A large, deep crimson crab, popular because of its size and beauty. NNC.

**Dartmouth.** Large, handsome dark red, somewhat transparent in appearance; excellent for cider.

## APRICOT

Apricots are grown successfully in most peach regions, and ripening as they do a month before early peaches come in, the market demand is always good. Sorts described are arranged according to season of ripening.

**Early May.** A Russian sort of good size. Good flavor, tree hardy; a favorite in Texas and the South. CS.

**Superb.** A Russian sort from Kansas. Grows successfully in all peach regions. Of excellent quality; hardy. NNCS.

**Stella.** A Russian sort, originating in Nebraska. Unsurpassed for productiveness, size and color. The hardiest apricot known. NNCS.

**Royal.** The great Western apricot of commerce. Large size; dull yellow, mottled dark brown; highly flavored. CS.

**Tilton.** A late blooming, hardy, productive tree. Fruit of splendid quality. Hardy. NCS.

**Hemskirke.** Large, beautiful, orange with red cheek; rich, luscious; resembles Moorpark. NCS.

**Blenheim.** A favorite Pacific Coast sort. Deep orange yellow, slightly blushed. NCS.

**Moorpark.** The standard of excellence; large and luscious. Tree productive and healthy. NCS.

**Wenatchee Moorpark.** Grown by the thousands in the favored Wenatchee Valley of Washington, where it originated. Distinct and superior to old Moorpark. NCS.

In addition to sorts described we can furnish the following:

Alexander  
Colorado  
Harris

## QUINCE

**Missouri Mammoth.** Large fruit, good orchard tree. CS.

**Van Deman.** The hardiest, surest, best quince we know. Originated by Luther Burbank, and introduced by us nearly twenty years ago. NCS.

We can also furnish Bourgeat and Orange.

## NUT TREES

We offer Nonpareil, Princess and Ne Plus Ultra Almonds; American Sweet, Rochester and Cooper Chestnut; English Walnut Seedlings; Filbert, Missouri, Mammoth, Thin Shell and Shellbark Hickory Nut; Colorado, Illinois, Texas, Missouri Hardy, Pabst, Stuart and Van Deman Pecan; Black, White and Japan Walnut. All good, strong trees; well grown and up to grade specified in price list.



### RASPBERRY

**St. Regis Everbearing (Red).** Bright crimson; of iron-clad hardiness. A big money-maker. NCS.

**King (Red).** Big money-maker; earlier than Cuthbert; hardy. Many consider most valuable for market. NNCS.

**Golden Queen (Yellow).** Large, beautiful; firm, good quality; vine hardy. NCS.

**Cuthbert (Red).** A well known old sort, high quality; productive. Widely planted for market. NCS.

**Cardinal (Purple).** A great, handsome, reddish purple berry—a hybrid of the red and black. Hardy, good grower, produces wonderful crops. Always brings good prices. NCS.

**Kansas (Black).** A good blackcap that is largely planted. We prefer Cumberland. NCS.

**Cumberland (Black).** The best of all the blackcaps; perfectly hardy, vigorous, productive, remarkably free from insect attack. NNCS.

In addition to sorts described we can furnish the following:

Black Pearl	Manitou
Columbian	Miller
Haymaker	New American
Herbert	Plum Farmer
Hoosier	Shipper's Pride

### BLACKBERRY

**Kenoyer.** Large, glossy black; never sunburns. NCS.

**Early Harvest.** A long-time favorite with us. Vine vigorous and hardy. CS.

**Illinois.** Large and handsome. NCS.

**Snyder.** Can always be depended upon. One of the most popular of the old varieties. NCS.

**Eldorado.** Large, fine quality, very sweet. Practically immune to rust. We recommend as one of the most valuable sorts. NCS.

**Mersereau.** Larger than Snyder and of better quality. One of the best blackberries grown, and one of the most profitable. NCS.

**Blowers.** A large, jet black berry; a good shipper. NCS.

In addition to sorts described we can furnish the following:

Early King	Robinson
Erie	Taylor
Kittatinny	Wilson
McDonald	Ward
Perfection	Western Triumph
Rathbun	

### DEWBERRY

**Lucretia.** The best, most dependable of all Dewberries. Large, jet black, highly flavored and hardy; profitable. Whenever a Dewberry is wanted plant Lucretia. NCS.

We can also supply Austin and Premc; both good ones.

### CURRENT

**London Market.** Valuable in all sections; one of the best known and most profitable. Brilliant red, good quality, strong, rugged, little injured by leaf diseases, etc. NNCS.

**Black Naples.** Very large, black; valuable, excellent for jellies. NNCS.

**Lee's Black.** Large, superior quality, good grower. NNCS.

**Pomona.** Bright red, fine quality. Profitable. NCS.

**Red Cross.** Strong grower, productive; deep red, sweet, high quality. NNCS.

**White Imperial.** We consider it the best white. NCS.

**Wilder.** Large, brilliant red, fine quality. NNCS.

In addition to sorts described we can furnish the following:

Diploma	Perfection
Fay Prolific	Victoria
Franco-German	White Grape

### PAEONIES

We offer the five most attractive sorts known.

Duchess de Orleans (deep pink)  
Festiva Maxima (purest white)  
L'Eclante (purplish crimson)  
Officialis Rubra (red)  
Queen Victoria (white)

### GOOSEBERRY

**Houghton.** The best bearer, the best vine—best in every way. NNCS.

**Mountain.** Resembles Houghton, but larger; one of the best. NCS.

**Downing.** Almost twice the size of Houghton. NNCS.

**Pearl.** Large, greenish yellow; remarkably free from mildew. NNCS.

**Portage.** One of the largest, handsomest and best. NCS.

**Josselyn (Red Jacket.)** Strong, vigorous, wonderful cropper. Probably the best of all the large-fruited American sorts. NNCS.

**Oregon Champion.** Large, yellow, smooth, good quality. Largely planted. NNCS.

In addition to sorts described we can furnish the following:

Carman	Lancashire
Chautauqua	Smith
Crown Bob	

### GARDEN ROOTS

**Asparagus.** We grow four sorts—Bonvallette's Giant, Conover's Colossal, Mammoth White and Palmetto. All are good, but our choice is Conover's Colossal. We offer good strong plants.

**Rhubarb.** We grow two varieties—Myatt's Linnaeus and Victoria Giant. Either are good.

**Horseradish.** Strong plants.

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